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2	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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4	Estate of VALERIE YOUNG, by VIOLA YOUN as Administratrix of the Estate of Valerie Young, and in her personal
5	capacity, SIDNEY YOUNG, and LORETTA YOUNG LEE,
6	Plaintiffs,
7	Index No.: vs. 07CV6241
8	STATE OF NEW YORK OFFICE OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL
9	DISABILITIES, PETER USCHAKOW,
10	personally and in his official capacity, JAN WILLIAMSON, personally and in her official capacity, SURESH
11	ARYA, personally and in his official capacity, KATHLEEN FERDINAND,
12	personally and in her official capacity, GLORIA HAYES, personally and
13	in her official capacity, DR. MILOS, personally and in his official capacity,
14	Defendants.
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16	April 8, 2008 9:59 a.m.
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18	Examination before trial of SURESH
19	ARYA, held at the offices of The Catafago
20	Law Firm, P.C., 350 Fifth Avenue, New
21	York, New York, pursuant to Notice,
22	before Wendy D. Boskind, a Registered
23	Professional Reporter and Notary Public
24	of the State of New York.
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2	been placed on one-to-one, would the team
3	have to notify the deputy director if
4	that was going to be removed?
5	A. Uh because it's not
6	stopping, is not required, so they don't
7	have to, but we will know that
8	stopping
9	Q. So the answer is "no".
10	A. Yeah.
11	Q. And how would the staff
12	document the behavior of the patient
13	during the one-to-one?
14	A. They keep a log, a one-to-one
15	log.
16	Q. And did you ever have
17	withdrawn.
18	Did you ever review the one-
19	to-one logs?
20	A. No.
21	Q. You wouldn't look at them?
22	A. No, I don't need to.
23	Q. And what's the purpose of the
24	one-to-one log?

A. To maintain what is the

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2	situation, why is the person is on
3	one-to-one, there is certain reason, and
4	they document what is going on with that
5	person.
6	Q. And that was required to be
7	done every 15 minutes?
8	A. It's depending on the case
9	basis, yes.
10	Q. I'm sorry?
11	A. Depending on what the team
12	had made the decision.
13	It can be 15 minutes, it can
14	be half an hour, it depends on the case,
15	on case by case basis.
16	Q. Well, the policy and
17	procedure manual you have in front of you
18	says: "The assigned staff is to document
19	the consumer's activities every 15
20	minutes in one-to-one log"
21	A. Right.
22	Q but you're saying it would

A. But the team can make the

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decision.